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: A SCANNING OPTICAL SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fees and the examination of the above-identified patent application on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the claims as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows (a marked-up copy of the specification amendments is provided as an attachment to this Amendment):

Amended Paragraph [0051] (Clean Copy)

The present disclosure relates to subject matter contained in Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-359745 filed on November 27, 2000, which is expressly incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.